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# **CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE GROUP**

## **INTELLIGENCE REPORT**

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**COUNTRY** Germany (Russian Zone)

**SUBJECT** CDU and LDP Members to Join  
SED Under Pressure

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Major Lohovits stated at a meeting of German economic experts that large numbers of CDU and LDP members will soon join the SED. The merger, promoted by the SMA, is to be supported by force, if necessary. A referendum is to be held in the Russian Zone on this and related problems. The SMA expects 80 per cent of the vote for the SED point of view.

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